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It is certified that error appears in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

What is claimed:

Column 7, line 61 through column 8, line 14, the claim should read:

8. A storage system comprising:

a plurality of disk drives for corresponding to a plurality of first paths; a controller to be coupled to a network for receiving data from an information unit coupled to said network; and

a switch coupled to said controller by at least one of second paths; wherein said switch is further coupled to each disk drives by one of said first paths, thereby forming a point-to-point connection between said switch and said each disk drive;

wherein the number of said at least one of #refsecond paths is less than the number of said first paths:

wherein said disk drives store data sent from said information unit through said switch, and each of said disk drives has an identification (ID) number; and

wherein said switch conducts switching between said first and said second paths by transferring data to at least one of disk drives among said disk drives by at least one of said first paths based on information of said ID number of said at least one of disk drives

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